



Nevada State Health Division Technical Bulletin



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TO: HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND THE PUBLIC

This technical bulletin is being provided to assist in understanding of Senate Bill 246 (SB 246).

Bill Summary:


This bill requires a medical facility that accepts custody of children, due to a court order, to adopt a policy concerning the administration and management of medication to those children. Further, this bill requires the facility to ensure that each employee of the medical facility who will administer medication to a child receives a copy of and understands the policy. The requirements of this bill pertain to a public or private institution or agency to which a juvenile court commits a child, including, without limitation:

- a facility for the detention of children
- a state facility for the detention or commitment of children
- a specialized foster home or a group foster home
- a child care facility which occasionally or regularly has custody of children pursuant a court order
- a treatment facility
- any other facility of the Division of Child and Family Services into which a child may be committed by a court order


SB 246 becomes effective on January 1, 2012.

For more detailed information, please visit the following website:

http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/76th2011/Bills/SB/SB246_EN.pdf

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